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REPORT ON TIGER RESERVES
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a report related to the Management Effectiveness Evaluation (MEE) of the Tiger Reserves has been released;

(b) if so, the details and findings of the report thereof;

(c) the old and revised criterion adopted for the evaluation;

(d) whether separate policy has been formulated for the best tiger reserves and for those whose performance is not so satisfactory, after the evaluation; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

(a), (b) & (c) Yes Sir. The 3rd round of independent Management Effectiveness Evaluation of Tiger Reserves has been done in 43 tiger reserves situated in 17 States. Altogether, 17 tiger reserves has been rated as very good, 16 as good and 10 tiger reserves as fair.

Independent assessment of Tiger Reserves based on IUCN criteria, as adapted to our conditions, was done for the first time in 2005-06 for 28 tiger reserves. This assessment was peer reviewed by IUCN experts. Both assessment as well as peer reviewed reports were placed in the Parliament. The second round of independent assessment based on refined criteria has been done in 2010-11 for 39 tiger reserves. This is also based on the globally used framework, as adapted to our conditions.

(d) & (e) No separate policy has been formulated. However, advisories are sent to concerned States based on deficiencies recognized in the Management Effectiveness Evaluation exercise for taking appropriate corrective action.